

NEW YORK TRANSIT MUSEUM

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Special Day for Special Kids at the New York Transit Museum

Free admission and fun activities for children with disabilities and their families

October 16, 2016 from 10am – 12pm

The New York Transit Museum will open early on October 16th to welcome kids with disabilities and their families for a *Special Day for Special Kids!* Co-sponsored by Extreme Kids & Crew, the event is part of the Museum's ongoing effort to offer programs that make its extensive collection accessible to all. During the *Special Day* festivities, kids with disabilities and their family members will enjoy free, exclusive access to the Museum from 10am till public opening at 11am, and special activities will be available for all Museum visitors till noon.

This *Special Day for Special Kids* will celebrate our favorite NYC subway lines. Families are encouraged to dress up in their favorite subway line colors and are invited to participate in train line themed activities. Every guest will have the opportunity to walk through historic turnstiles, sit in the driver's seat of a NYC bus, and explore over twenty different historic train cars on the Museum's platform.

Light refreshments will be served in the Museum's lunchroom and sensory-friendly DJ REBORN will provide entertainment. Kids and parents can also take a break and relax in the Museum's chill-out room, a quiet space where puzzles and sensory toys will be provided.

At *Special Day for Special Kids*, attendees can play and learn at their own pace and get social with other kids in a safe environment where expert Museum staff are available to assist when needed. Guests will enjoy all the Museum has to offer and benefit from the availability of special activities led by Museum Educators, a cool-down space for quiet relaxation and a big museum reserved for these very special visitors.

Special Day for Special Kids is currently sold out.

To request a press pass to cover the event, please email chelsea.newburg@nyct.com.

The Transit Museum has two flights of stairs to the lobby and one flight of stairs to the platform. The Museum is wheelchair accessible via a lift that must be operated by staff. Please call 718-694-1823 or email access@nytransitmuseum.org to make arrangements for using the lift.

Funding for special needs programs is provided by the Joseph Leroy and Ann C. Warner Fund, Inc., the FAR Fund, the Meringoff Family Foundation, the Tiger Baron Foundation, the Doug Flutie Jr. Foundation for Autism, and generous individual donors. Programs are also made possible, in part, by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature, and by public funds from the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs in partnership with the City Council. Funding for free youth and family programs is provided by City Council Members Brad Lander, Stephen T. Levin, and David Greenfield.

What: Special Day for Special Kids

When: Sunday, October 16th from 10 am – 12 pm
Open exclusively for children with disabilities and their families from 10am – 11am!

Where: New York Transit Museum
Boerum Place and Schermerhorn Street
Downtown Brooklyn

Admission: Free for children with disabilities and their families.
Event is sold out. Press passes are available.

Media: Event flyer attached. High-resolution images available upon request.

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